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In re Application of: )  
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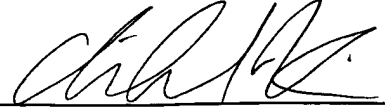
In a election requirement dated July 17, 2003 the Examiner required an election of species under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Species 1, Fig. 2 and Species 2, Fig. 3. Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Species 1, Fig. 2 without traverse. Claim 1 is readable on the elected species and is also generic.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account 06-0916.

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